

# VTA's BART Silicon Valley Phase II Extension Project

28th Street/Little Portugal  
Community Working Group Meeting

February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2024



# Agenda

- Welcome & Introduction
- Phase II Update
- Station Configuration Update
- Business Resource Program 2024 Plan
- Early Construction Activities
- 2024 CWG Workplan Review
- CWG Member Report Out
- Next Steps

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# Upcoming Meetings



- Upcoming CWG Dates
  - 28th Street Little Portugal CWG Meeting: May 15, 2024
- VTA Board of Directors [vta.org/about/board-and-committees](https://vta.org/about/board-and-committees)

Committee Meeting (BSV Steering Committee, others)	Board Meeting	Item
February 8	March 7	Small Business Resource Program and Funding
March 14	April 4	Additional Funding for Contract Package 2 (CP2) West Portal/TBM Launch Facility Construction (Early Work Package 3C)
March 14	-	Funding Plan for FTA New Starts Engineering Application
March 14	April 4	Construction Management Services Contract Award
March 21 (A&F)	April 4	BART Railcar Procurement for BART Silicon Valley Phase II (BSVII)
-	April 19 (Workshop) or May 2	Funding Plan for FTA Full Funding Grant Agreement (FFGA) Application
March 14 or April 11	April 4 or May 2	Addendum to 2018 Final Subsequent Environmental Impact Report (SEIR) for BSVII Design Refinements
April 11 or May 9	May 2 or June 6	Additional Funding for CP2 Early Work Packages*
November 14	December 5	CP2 Tunnel and Trackwork Stage 2 Award (Heavy Construction)

- Kristen will email alerts for other meetings



# Phase II Update

Bernice Alaniz, VTA

# FTA Risk Assessment Update



- Three-day risk assessment workshop held week of January 16<sup>th</sup>
- Attendees from FTA Headquarters, Region 9, and Project Management Oversight Consultant (PMOC)
- Included tour of alignment and review of risks associated with cost, schedule, organization, and technical aspects of project
- Results expected mid to late February



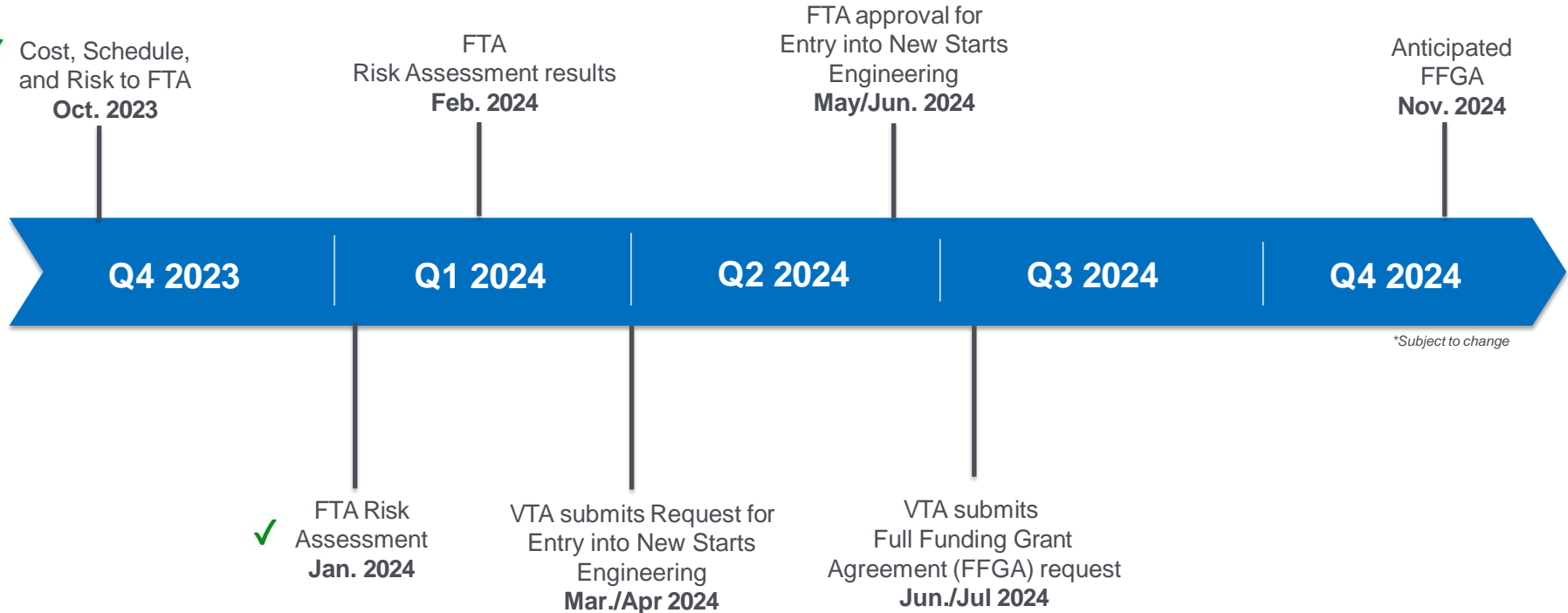
# VTA Identified Key Risks & Mitigations



- West Portal TBM launch facility readiness/cost
- Unanticipated damage to historic buildings, structures, and utilities
- Construction labor shortages and associated premiums
- Testing and commissioning delays
- Program staffing, capacity and continuity to support project timeline

A tilted screenshot of a project risk register spreadsheet. The spreadsheet has multiple columns and rows, with a prominent yellow vertical bar highlighting a specific column. The text within the cells is small and difficult to read, but the overall structure suggests a detailed risk management tool with columns for risk ID, description, impact, and mitigation strategies.

# Next Steps with Federal Transit Administration (FTA)







# 2024 Advocacy Efforts

- Launched advocacy program to reinforce project support on the Federal, State and Local levels leading to the project's Full Funding Grant Agreement before the end of the year
- Relaying seven key messages to support the importance of completing the BART Silicon Valley Extension Project
- Breakfast outreach meetings will be planned in March to connect with and update key project stakeholders/CWG members

# BART Phase II In the News



- Former Mayor Sam Liccardo said a portion of the \$12.2 billion project — **Diridon Station to Santa Clara Station** — **should be struck from the proposal and potentially completed at another time**, pointing out that Caltrain already offers services between them.
- VTA’s Chief Megaproject Officer Tom Maguire said the agency “has a **defined path forward that is voter-approved and supported by the Board of Directors and the public**. At present, we are at work on the remaining six-mile extension that will run from Berryessa Station and include stations at 28th Street/Little Portugal, downtown San Jose, Diridon and Santa Clara.”
- “**There is no alternative design** at this point,” said Mahan. “**To do that would risk delay and potentially more expense and put the full funding agreement from the federal government at risk**. So I would say at this point, in practice, given where we are, it’s a long shot, but everything should be on the table.”



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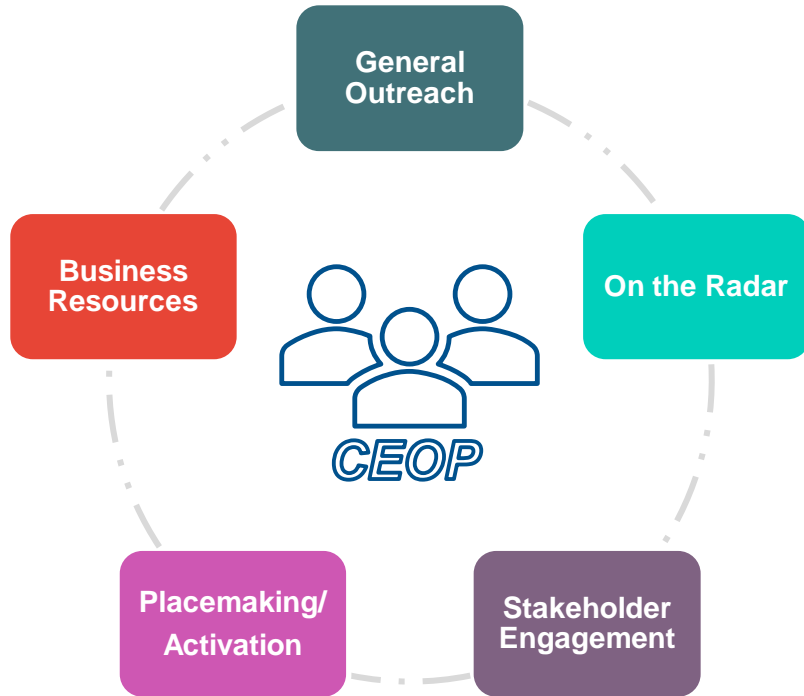
**Construction Education and Outreach Plan (CEOP):** communication during construction between VTA, cities of San José and Santa Clara, and the public



**Construction Transportation Management Plan (CTMP):** coordinate circulation and access needs within and around the construction areas for all transportation modes



**Emergency Services Coordination Plan (ESCP):** coordinate with local emergency services to minimize impact to emergency service routes and response times due to construction activities



## Five Elements

- **General Outreach** – Raise visibility along the alignment and beyond about major milestones & activities in planning, design and construction
- **Stakeholder Engagement** – Build relationships with those most touched by the project
- **Business Resources** – Support during construction
- **Placemaking/Activation** – Enhance access and awareness during construction
- **On the Radar** – Coordinate with other projects in area on messaging and communications

# Design Review Committees



- DRCs are a required forum for community leaders and local government partners to **provide input** to VTA's BSVII project team for **select visual elements** of the stations.
- Elements must fit within project parameters (ex. project budget, BART facility standards, and operations and maintenance requirements)
- Santa Clara Station DRC is currently ongoing to provide members opportunity for input prior to the 60% design submittal, stemming from changes to the station configuration.





Community leaders and local government partners provided input to Project team on **select visual elements** of the stations over multiple DRC meeting series.

- **2021 DRCs** – discussion of the look and feel elements of VTA’s BSVII stations. This was shared with the public and staff representing VTA, BART, and the cities of San José and Santa Clara to receive input and refine select aesthetic concepts that will be included in the Requests for Proposals (RFPs) for the stations.
- **2023/2024 DRCs** – further discussion of specific station elements following design advancement.
  - Santa Clara Station DRC discussions were required prior to 60% design submission in early 2024.



## 28th Street/Little Portugal DRC

- Architectural treatment & material finish of Back of House
- Wayfinding tower
- Plaza Landscaping & layout
- Floors
- Interior Walls/Identity
- Roof & Ceiling
- Art Locations



## Santa Clara DRC *(in progress)*

- Station Entrance Canopy Configuration\*
- Platform Canopy Configuration\*
- Integrated Parking Structure Façade\*
- Public Station Area/Plaza & Landscaping
  - Planting & Trellises
  - Plaza and Feature Wall Lighting
  - Benches & Furniture
- Station Signage
- Retail Kiosk Locations and Bike Facilities

\*Required for 60% Design

## Downtown San Jose Station DRC

- Ceiling & exterior marquee station signage
- Architectural & aesthetic treatment of East Emergency Ventilation Shaft
- Exterior & Interior Finishes
- Floors
- Art Locations

## Diridon Station DRC

- Architectural & aesthetic treatment of Back of House and West Vent Shaft
- Plaza – exterior space
- Exterior & Interior Finishes
- Floors
- Art Locations



# DRC Schedule



	Underground Stations
<b>DRC Meeting #1</b> – DRC process & overview, station functionality, Project Architect presents station aesthetic concept options	Mid-April 2024
<b>DRC Meeting #2</b> – Project Architect presents refined station aesthetic concepts based on DRC #1 feedback	Early May 2024
<b>DRC Meeting #3</b> – Project Architect presents focused station aesthetic concepts based on DRC #2 feedback	Late May 2024
<b>DRC Meeting #4</b> – Project Architect presents station aesthetic concepts to be included in Project design	Mid-June 2024
<b>Community Engagement</b> – Online and in-person engagement	Late Q2 2024
<b>Further DRC Discussions</b>	Q3-Q4 2024



# Station Configuration Update

Adriano Rothschild, VTA

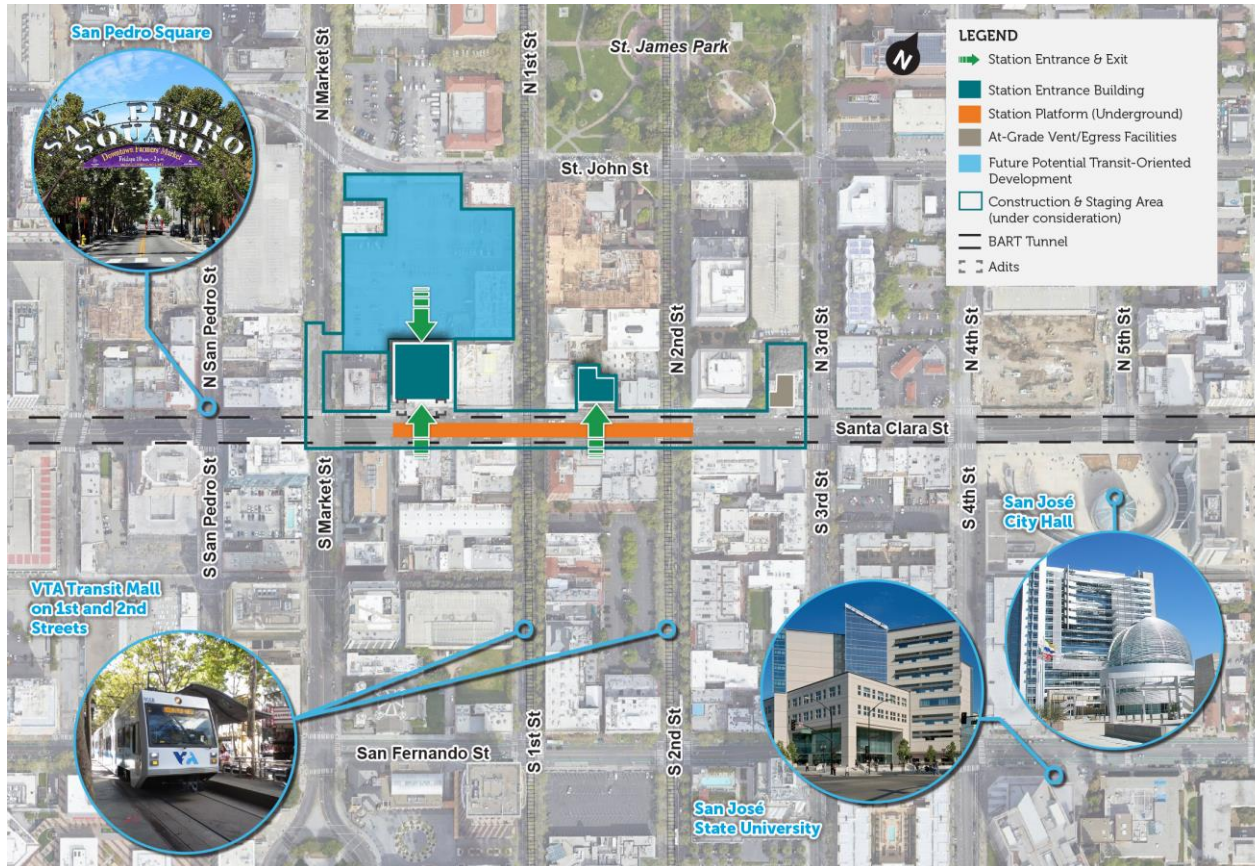
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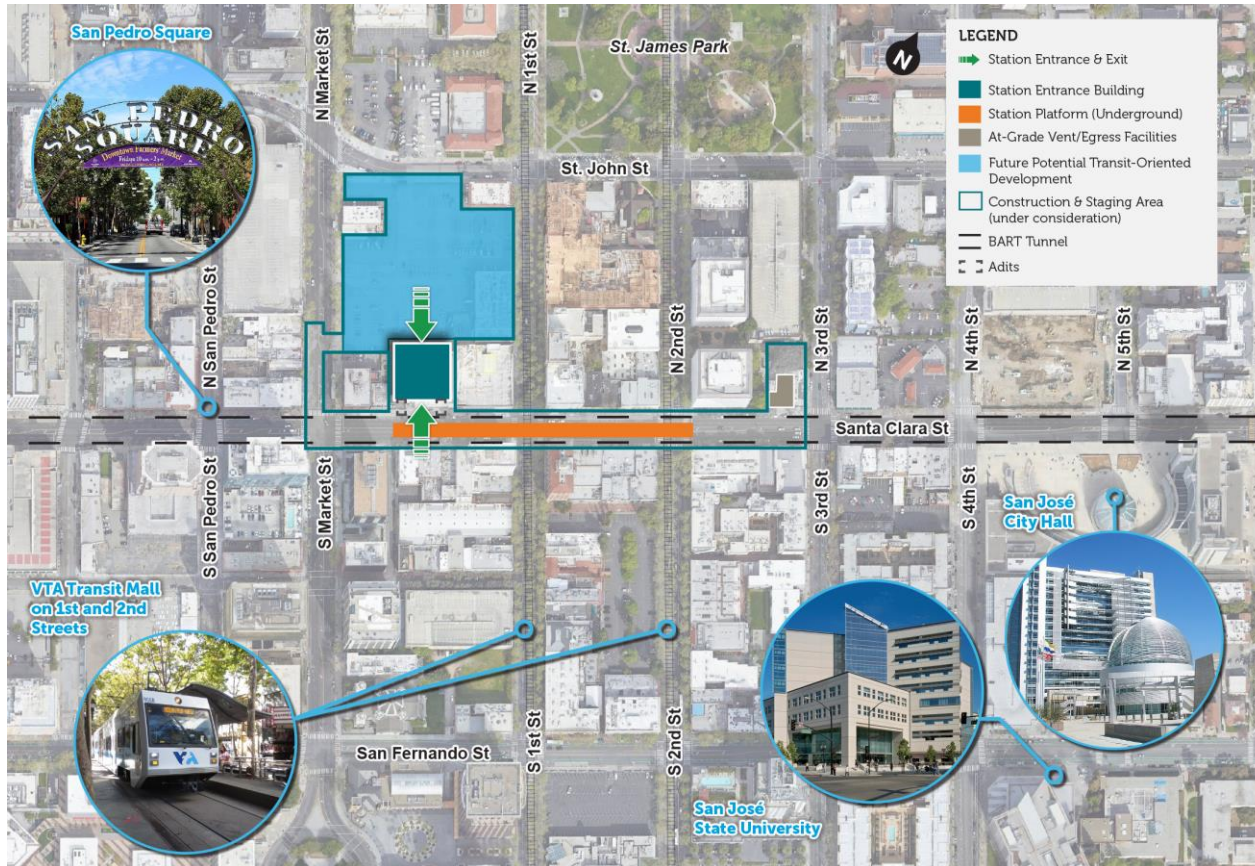


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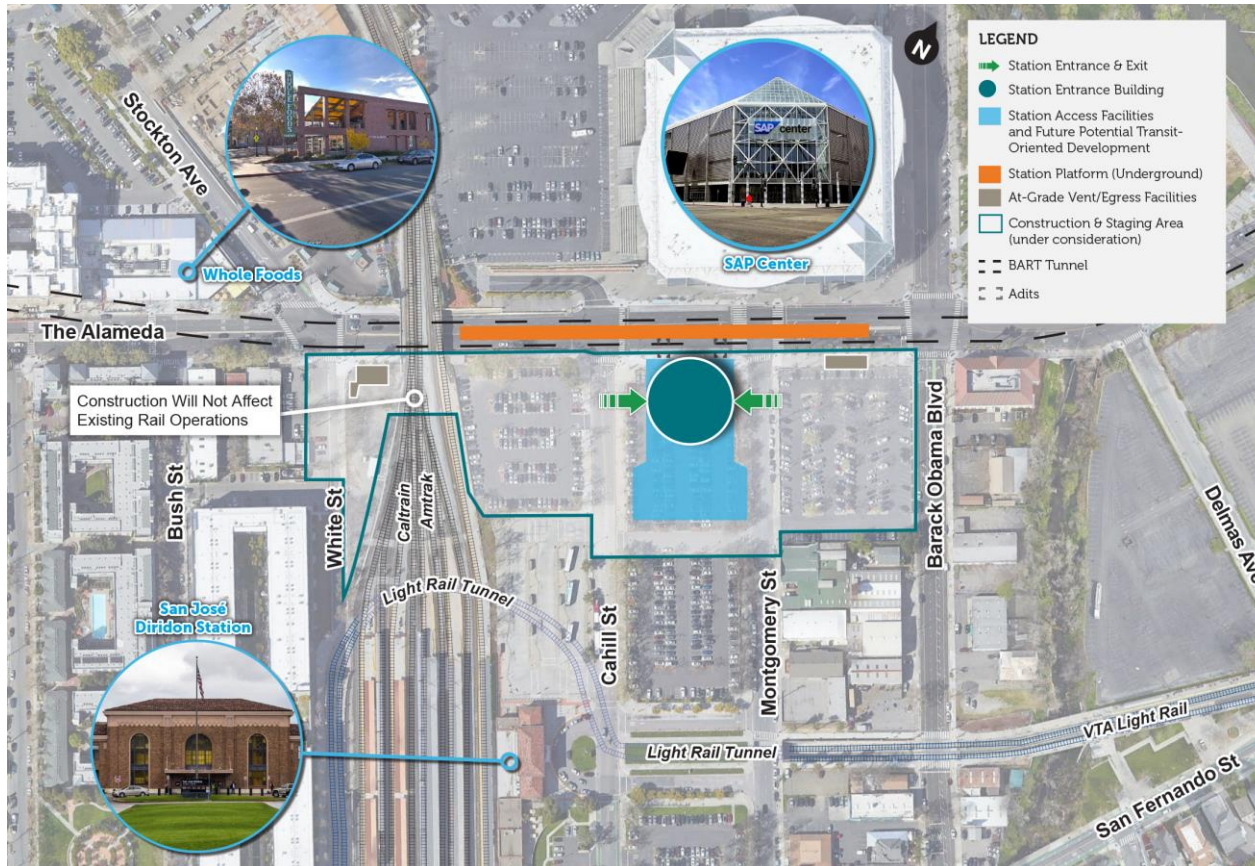


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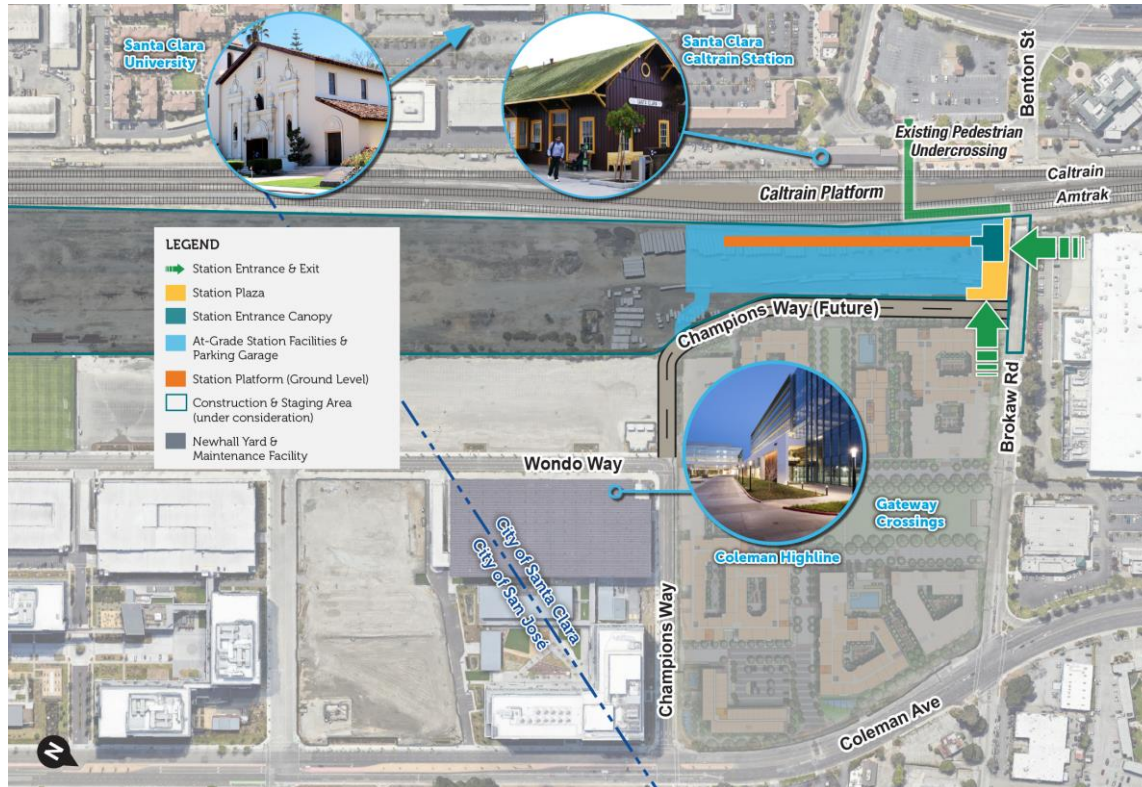
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# Santa Clara BART Station



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# Previous Cross-Section - Santa Clara Station



Looking southeast from Brokaw Road

Path of travel to fare gates from east

Path of travel to fare gates from west (pedestrian tunnel)



Preliminary concept – Subject to change

	East Entrance	West Entrance	Concourse
Elevators	2	2	2
Escalators	2	2	2
Stairs	1	1	2
➤ Bicycle Stair Channel			

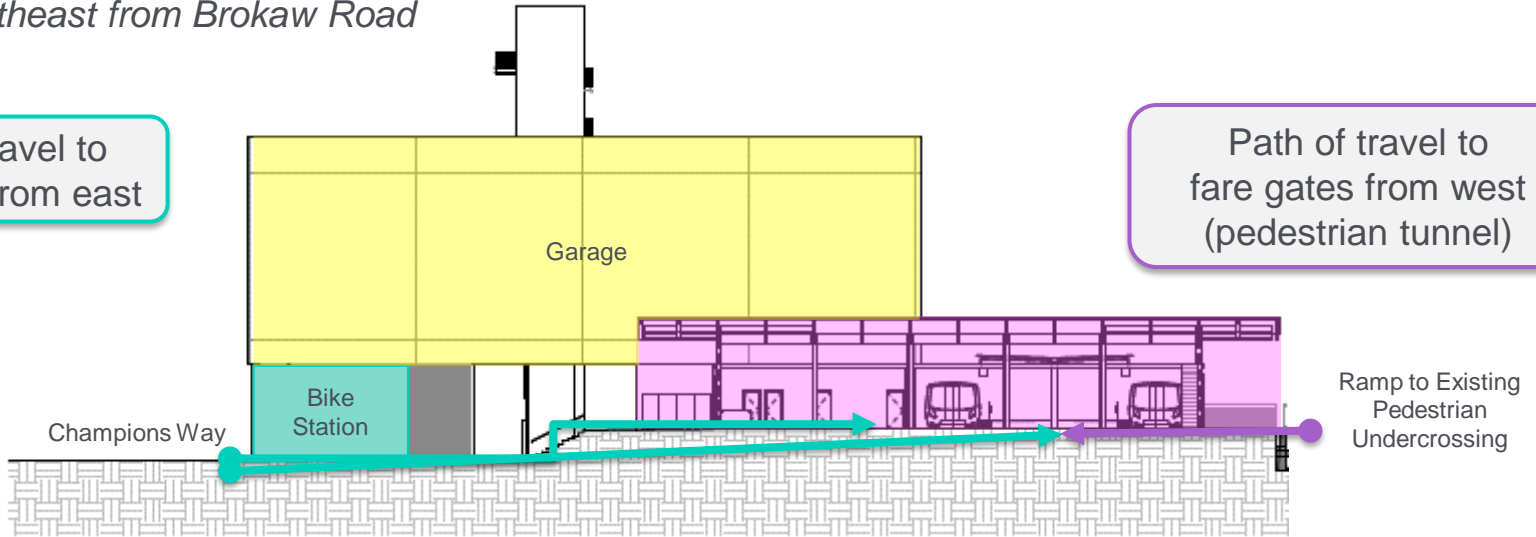
# Current Cross-Section - Santa Clara Station



Looking southeast from Brokaw Road

Path of travel to fare gates from east

Path of travel to fare gates from west (pedestrian tunnel)



	North Entrance	Concourse
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Elevators	Garage only - 2	0
Escalators	0	0
Stairs	1	0

\*ADA access via sloping sidewalk (ramp) to front of station or garage elevators  
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# Business Resource Program 2024 Plan

Bernice Alaniz, VTA

# Business Resource Program Purpose & Criteria



- Purpose of the Business Resource Program (BRP) is to support small businesses during major construction
- A small business is defined as a:
  - For-profit business with up to 35 employees that holds an active business license
- Innovative single-bore tunneling method to minimize street level impacts and business interruption



# Business Resource Program Elements



## Signage and Wayfinding



**BUSINESSES OPEN DURING CONSTRUCTION**

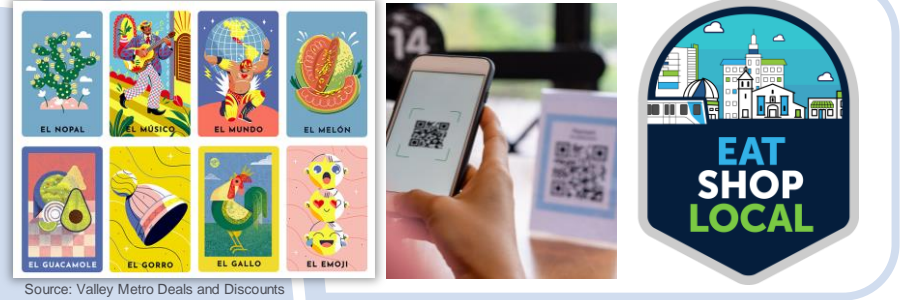
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Fitness Center • Food Creation • Sandwich Spot

**EAT SHOP LOCAL**

Shop Local Marketing is a VTA sponsored program that provides business media and marketing assistance during the BSV Phase II construction.  
Make sure to check out the Preferred Vendor List to see how you can support local!

Valley Metro Transportation Authority

## Shop Local Marketing



EL NOPAL, EL MÚSICO, EL MUNDO, EL MELÓN, EL GUACAMOLE, EL GORRO, EL GALLO, EL EMOJI

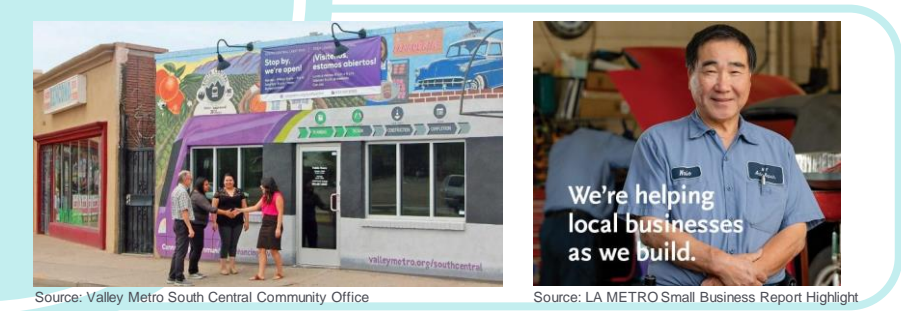
**EAT SHOP LOCAL**

Source: Valley Metro Deals and Discounts



Marketing for small businesses

Source: SCORE Business mentorship and training



We're helping local businesses as we build.

Source: LA METRO Small Business Report Highlight

## Small Business Resource Connections and Support

## Direct Financial Assistance

# Business Resource Program Schedule



*For an in-depth update on the Business Resource Program, tune into VTA's February BSV Phase II Steering Committee Meeting on February 8th, at 12:30 pm*





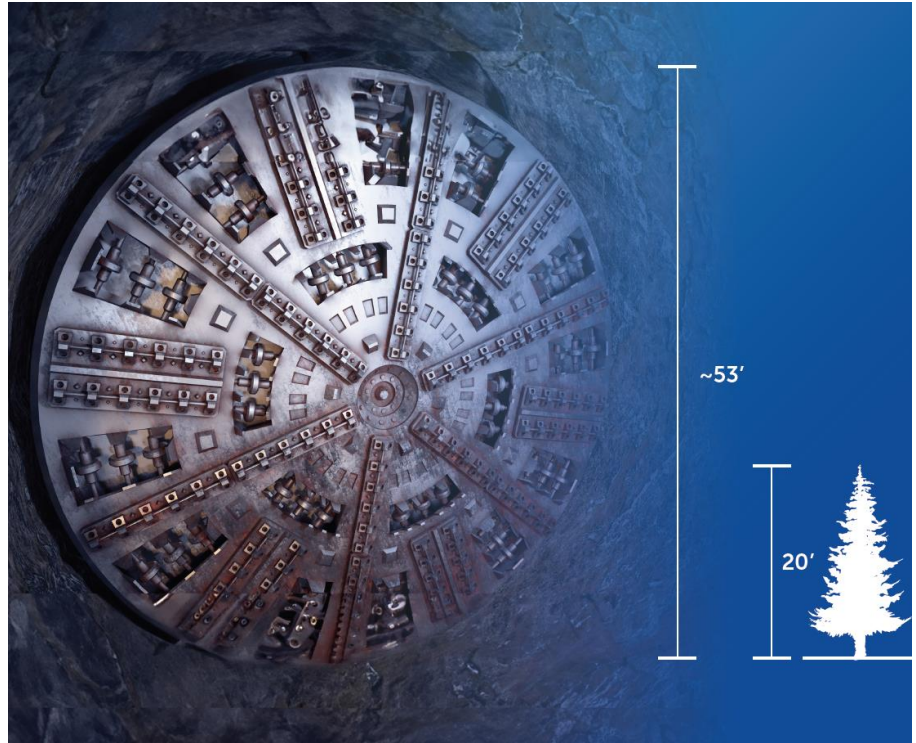
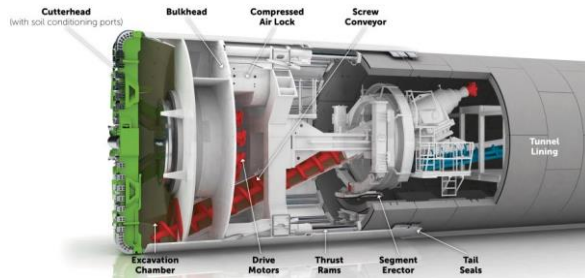
# Early Construction Activities

Erica Roecks, VTA

# Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) Purchased



- VTA purchased its Tunnel Boring Machine (TBM) in November 2023
- The \$76 million TBM will be one of the largest machines ever to be built
- VTA will be launching a TBM naming contest in advance of the TBM arrival. *Stay tuned to learn more about that contest!*



# Early Construction Activities



- Start of Early Works Construction at Newhall Yard/West Portal anticipated to begin in Q2 2024
- Activities include:
  - Site grading
  - Site development
  - Tunnel lining factory & TBM segment storage
  - Excavation of TBM shaft & materials
- Groundbreaking event to be scheduled





# 2024 CWG Workplan Review & Discussion

Kristen Mei, VTA

# 28th Street LP CWG 2024 Draft Work Plan



Subject	February 7, 2024	May 15, 2024	September 11, 2024	November 13, 2024	Future 2025 Topics
CWG Member Update	X	X	X	X	X
Status Updates (Real Estate, Federal Involvement, Construction Activities)	X	X	X	X	X
Phase II Program Update	X	X	X	X	X
FTA & Funding	X	X		X	X
Contracting	X				X
Real Estate		X		X	X
Construction Update	X	X	X	X	X
CP2 Specific Construction Transportation Management Plans (CTMPs)	X	X	X	X	X
Historic Buildings & Building Monitoring		X	X		X
Project Milestones	X	X	X	X	X
Community Engagement	X	X	X	X	X
Project Advocacy	X	X		X	X
Business Resource Program	X	X	X	X	X
Implementation of Construction Education & Outreach Plan (CEOP)	X	X	X	X	X
Design Review Committees	X	X			X
Station Area Planning & Adjacent Developments			X		X
City Planning Updates	X				X
VTA TOD at Phase II BART Stations			X		X
Government Affairs Update				X	X



# CWG Member Report Out



# Report Back – 28th Street Little Portugal



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How have you been sharing information and updates on BSVII with your community?

What have you heard from your communities?



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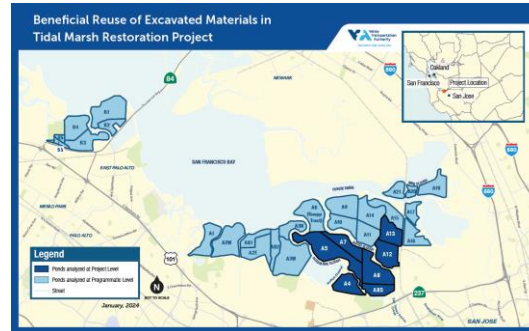
- Next CWG meeting:  
**May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2024**
  - Phase II Update
  - Early Construction Activities Update
  - Community Engagement

# Upcoming Community Meeting



## Beneficial Reuse of Excavated Material in Tidal Marsh Restoration Project

- Virtual meeting held via Zoom: **Tuesday, February 6, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**
- In-person meeting: **Wednesday, February 7, 2024, from 5:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.**, at the Alviso Branch Library located at 5050 N. First Street, San Jose, CA 95002. (*\*This location is served by VTA Bus 59*)



### COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

Please join us to learn more and provide valuable input into the scope of the Project. Participants will have the opportunity to review displays, watch a brief presentation, and speak with project team members. VTA is facilitating both virtual and in-person opportunities to engage and learn about the project. Comments may be submitted at the meetings or by email at [beneficial.reuse@vta.org](mailto:beneficial.reuse@vta.org).

Virtual community meeting:

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024**  
6:00 PM via Zoom

In-person community open house:  
**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024**  
5:30 TO 7:00 PM

**ALVISO BRANCH LIBRARY**  
5050 N. First Street,  
San Jose, CA 95002

For additional information and to register for the meetings, please visit:  
[vta.org/projects/vtas-beneficial-reuse-project](https://bit.ly/vtas-beneficial-reuse-project)

Scan QR Code to RSVP and share translation needs or follow this link:  
<https://bit.ly/48lxKpd>

